

Existing law requires every parent (or certain other persons) having control or charge of any child from that child's seventh birthday until his 18th birthday to send the child to a public or private day school unless the child graduates from high school prior to his 18th birthday. Specifies that whoever violates existing law shall be fined not more than \$250 or imprisoned not more than 30 days, or both.

Prior law permitted a child between the ages of 17 and 18 to withdraw from school prior to graduation if both of these conditions were met:

- (1) Written consent was granted by his parent, tutor, or legal guardian. (Specified that individuals giving such consent were not subject to the penalty as provided in existing law.)
- (2) An exit interview was conducted where the student and his parent, tutor, or legal guardian provided written acknowledgment that withdrawal from school shall have likely reduced the student's future earning potential and increased the student's likelihood of being unemployed in the future.

New law repeals prior law.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Repeals R.S. 17:221(E))